



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Yutaka IMAMURA et al.

Serial No: 10/040,177

Filed: November 6, 2001

For: LASER OUTPUT CIRCUIT FOR OPTICAL DISK  
RECORDING APPARATUS

Art Unit: 2652

Examiner: Peter Vincent Agustin

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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☐ Small entity status has been claimed. See 37 CFR § 1.27.
- ☐ A certified copy of \_\_ Patent Application No. \_\_ filed \_\_ from which priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119 is enclosed.
- ☐ A Notice Of Change Of Attorney's Address and Associate Power Of Attorney is enclosed.
- ☒ No additional fee is required.

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TOTAL CLAIMS FEE	7	-20	20	**	0	LG=\$18 SM=\$9	\$18	\$ 0
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS FEE	1	-3	3	***	0	LG=\$86 SM=\$43	\$86	\$ 0
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS						LARGE ENTITY FEE = \$290 SMALL ENTITY FEE = \$145		\$ 0
TOTAL								\$ 0

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- ☒ Any filing fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims
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Respectfully submitted,  
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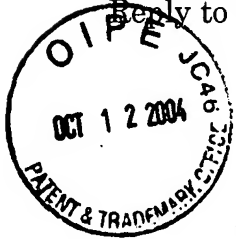
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of August 18, 2004, please enter and consider  
the following Remarks/Arguments:

**The Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of  
this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.